

NORTH TORRANCE IMPROVEMENT GROUP TO MEET

Mrs. Lela F. Gonner announced yesterday that the people of North Torrance are invited to an open meeting, called by the North Torrance Improvement Association, to be held at the Perry School auditorium, on Friday, April 2, at 8 p.m.

All candidates for this coming election are invited to be present, Mrs. Gonner said. "Our people would like to have a chance to know each candidate personally."

Refreshments will be served.

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WHERE'S THE FIRE

The following calls were answered by the Torrance Fire Department during the last week according to records of Fire Chief John E. McMaster:

Park Hotel, 1305 Post avenue, March 29, 5:25 a.m. mattress and bedding fire believed started by a lighted cigarette.

Frame wash house, March 28, 4 a.m. north of water tank on Elm avenue, D. Gilbert, owner.

Torrance City truck loaded with waste paper and rubbish on fire at Gramercy and Craven avenue, March 27, 1:43 p.m. Driver Turner dumped the load with slight damage to truck bed.

Slipping belt in pump house of the Standard Oil Company near Sepulveda and Hawthorne boulevards, March 27, 9:45 a.m. High voltage pole on the Pacific Electric property on the south side of 203rd street ignited due to moisture in power line, March 24, 8:25 p.m.

Box of toys too close to stove caught fire in the Edward Galli residence at 2666 West Carson street, March 24, 12:55 p.m.

Near Sepulveda boulevard and Maple avenue, grass and sump fire on the C.C.M.O. property, March 29, 1948, 11:30 a.m. Burning with permit, no attendants at fire.

OIL EXECUTIVE TO SHOW MOVIES AT ROTARY CLUB

R. I. Plomert Jr., as program chairman for Rotary Club this evening, will show a motion picture, "Wings Over Cuba."

The popular executive of the General Petroleum Corporation, who has spent enjoyable vacations in Cuba, will give graphic comment on Cuban life and customs.

HEARING COMING ON PLAN TO ALLOW 5000 FOOT HOMES

The City Council has asked that the City Planning Commission hold a public hearing on the manner of establishing the minimum area for lots in an R-1 district of 5,000 square feet with a minimum frontage of 50 feet.

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METROPOLITAN APPROVES WEST BASIN ANNEXATION

Application of the West Basin Municipal Water District for annexation to the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California Friday was granted by unanimous action of the Metropolitan Board of Directors.

The West Basin district, which includes Lomita, must put the measure up before its voters before annexation can be completed.

Metropolitan oked annexation subject to the following terms conditions:

1.—That in addition to regular Metropolitan taxes, back taxes and interest in the amount of \$4,104,000 be paid in 30 equal installments over a period of 30 years commencing with the 1949-50 fiscal year.

2.—That West Basin district annexation be completed prior to Dec. 1, 1948.

The resolution approving annexation provided that Metropolitan pay for a pipeline extending west from Avalon boulevard and terminating in the vicinity of Manhattan Beach boulevard and Aviation boulevard, and that ten turnouts be provided, five on the new line, and five on existing Metropolitan lines.

The Committee for West Water unanimously agreed on Thursday that the proposal to annex the West Basin District to Metropolitan should be submitted to voters at a special election to be held as soon as possible.

Possibility that the election may be held next May 4th was cited by members of the committee.

An informational folder will be mailed to local residents prior to the election by the committee. Recruiting of election boards, setting of polling places and other details are now being arranged.

The West Basin Municipal Water District, formed at the polls last Nov. 25th, includes, besides Lomita, the five coastal cities of Redondo Beach, Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, El Segundo, Palos Verdes Estates and a large amount of county unincorporated territory including the Palos Verdes Hills.

Bay League Forum Meets

By BEVERLY HOPKINS

The Bay League Forum will be held on Wednesday, April 7. Five representatives from each Bay League school will attend this discussion. Torrance High School will send three Junior delegates and two Senior delegates. The subject for the program will be student finances. The first topic of discussion will be student body budgets. One delegate from each school will be allowed to present and explain his budget. Next, fund-making projects will cover a written statement on each school's most successful money making project. A discussion, with the topic being "Should the Student Council Own and Control All Student Funds," will open with Jordan High School arguing the affirmative and Samohi representing the negative. In conclusion the delegates will take part in a general discussion.

Torrance High School will be hostess for the next Bay League Forum which will be held sometime in May.

APRIL 30TH GOAL FOR WATER VOTE

Friday, April 30th was set by the West Basin Board of Directors Tuesday as a tentative date for the election to annex the West Basin Municipal Water District to the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California.

W. C. Farquhar, who represents Lomita and the adjacent area on the Board, said that the April 30th date is the earliest possible time that the election can be held and that the Board, in view of the critical situation, is making effort to get the voting machinery in order by that time.

The West Basin Board met Tuesday in the Redondo Beach City Hall and scheduled another meeting for next Monday in the same location at 3 p.m.

Farquhar said that falling water tables and anxiety of Metropolitan for annexation at this time due to rising construction costs made the matter of the early election date urgent.

The Lomita Board representative is now working with the West Basin engineering advisory committee who are now conferring with Metropolitan engineers.

Before the election can be held the Board must adopt a resolution for the voters to act on and designate time, election, and polling places.

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